

December 4, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Arrest of Lee Harvey
Oswald, W/H/24

Sir:

On November 22, 1963 Officer K. E. Lyon and myself were in the 500 block of East Jefferson assisting in the search for the person who shot and killed Officer J. D. Tippit.

We heard the police radio report that a suspect had entered the Texas Theater. We went to this location Code 3. When we entered the theater, we were told by a white female that the suspect was in the balcony.

We went to the balcony and searched it. While in the balcony, I heard someone shout that he was on the lower floor. We started down. Lyon slipped and sprained his ankle; I continued on down. When I arrived at the lower floor, Lee Harvey Oswald was resisting vigorously. Sergeant Jerry Hill, Officer M. E. McDonald, C. T. Walker, and Ray Hawkins, and myself converged on Oswald. At this time I observed a pistol with the muzzle pointed in my direction. I grabbed the pistol and stuck it in my belt and then continued to assist in the subduing of Oswald. After Oswald was handcuffed we were instructed by Captain W. R. Westbrook to take him directly to the City Hall.

We removed Oswald from the theater. When we were removing Oswald from the theater, he was hollering that he had not resisted arrest and that he wanted to complain of police brutality. There was a crowd in front of the theater yelling, "Kill the dirty 'Seb'." We put Oswald into police equipment #226 and drove directly to the City Hall. While enroute to the City Hall, I released the pistol to Sergeant Jerry Hill. The officers who brought Oswald to the City Hall were myself, Sergeant Jerry Hill, Detective Paul Bentley, K. E. Lyon, M. E. McDonald, and C. T. Walker. Enroute to the City Hall, Oswald was belligerent and said very little except that why was he being arrested other than for having a pistol.

Upon arrival at the City Hall, Oswald was taken to the Homicide and Robbery Bureau Office and there released to officers of that bureau.

Respectfully submitted,

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